

ANNUAL MEETING

ELECTION OF OFFICERS • CEREMONIAL WORK

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1953

MECHANICS BUILDING, BOSTON, MASS.

**YOUR 1953 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE ABOVE CEREMONIES. SEND FOR YOURS NOW!**

**AFTERNOON MEETING 4:00 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
ENTER AT 97 HUNTINGTON AVENUE**

BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES - BUSINESS MEETING - RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM
Enter at 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston, for the meeting at 4:00 P.M.

CANDIDATES — CANDIDATES — CANDIDATES

SPECIAL NOTICE—PETITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP TO BE ACTED ON AT THIS MEETING
MUST BE IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE NOT LATER THAN 4:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1953. TWO DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING
CANDIDATES REPORT AT W. NEWTON ST. ENTRANCE, MECHANICS BLDG., AT 3:00 P.M.

BUFFET DINNER - - - 5:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

Enter 99 Huntington Avenue

Doors open to Banquet Hall at 5:00 P.M.

Evening Business Meeting and Annual Election of Officers 6:20 p.m.

GRAND HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

GRAND ENTRANCE

BUSINESS MEETING

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

BAND CONCERT - ORGAN CONCERT

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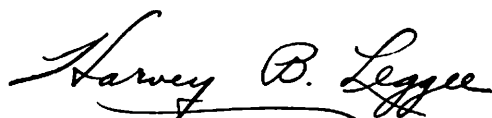
EVENING PARADE AND REVIEW

INDUCTION OF CANDIDATES

SECOND SECTION WORK BY DEGREE STAFF

GRAND VAUDEVILLE SHOW

YOUR 1953 SHRINE CARD IS NECESSARY FOR ADMITTANCE TO THIS MEETING.
IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOURS, WE SUGGEST YOU OBTAIN IT BEFORE
THE DAY OF THE MEETING



Recorder



Illustrious Potentate

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Section 206 of Article 21 of the Code of the Imperial Council. The printing, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets or other devices, by a Noble or Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section the Imperial Potentate shall suspend the offending Noble, or Nobles, until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, and he may, in his judgment declare the election of such officer or officers void and order a new election. The Recorders of Temples shall mail a notice of the annual session and election to all members of the Temple at least one week prior to the date of said election, and said notice shall contain this Section.

AMERICA NEEDS THE SHRINE

AMERICA needs the Shrine. For every thing the Shrine does and stands for is truly American. It believes in free schools, in education, personal and individual liberty and in the principles of free government. It does not tolerate the dictator, does not condone the oppressor and does not believe in curbing the right to the pursuit of happiness. It instills in your blood the spirit of Americanism which is the spirit of the shrine. It gives to its Nobles the courage of patriotic service, reverence for the laws of his country, and grants to him the realization that every Noble is a man.

SHRINE OBLIGATIONS

Every Shrine Temple operates under a Charter granted by the Imperial Council. The power to grant the Charter carries with it the power to regulate individual Temple activities. Failure to comply with the directives of the Imperial Law subjects the Temple to suspension or revocation of its Charter.

The Potentate of each Temple is the supreme authority in the Temple. He is responsible to the Imperial Council for the operation of the Temple in accordance with the Imperial Law. He is responsible to the membership of the Temple for its operation in accordance with the By-Laws adopted by the membership with the approval of the Imperial Council.

Imperial Laws, Temple By-Laws, and regulations are directives for the proper regulation of all Shrine activities. If their observance were not considered important for the proper conduct of Temple affairs and the promotion of the best interest of the Shrine, there would be no purpose in their enactment. Insistence upon the observance of any one or more of these laws or directives by any individual or group, while knowingly and willingly disregarding others, is inconsistent and conducive to the disregard of all laws.

Every Shriner has willingly assumed the obligation of the Order. Constant vigilance on the part of every individual for personal observance should eliminate any necessity for enforcement on the part of those charged with that responsibility.

The man who voluntarily lives within the law has no fear of the law.

The obligations of Symbolic Masonry are predicated upon the observance of both the moral and civil law. The beauty of the degrees, the impressiveness of the teachings, and the inspiration of the lectures are the results of the spontaneous response of individuals to the finest and noblest attributes of man.

The teaching of tolerance does not include acquiescence in willful disregard for the law. The intolerant of restrictive regulations, those who habitually and first to appeal to the teaching of tolerance as a mitigation of their offense. Being forewarned, one should be forearmed. Tolerance tempers the condemnation but does not condone the act.

Let every individual Shriner, therefore, search in his own heart, weigh his own conduct, and measure the degree of his own personal performance in the fulfillment of the obligation he has assumed.

MEMBERS OF OTHER TEMPLES IN OUR JURISDICTION

OUR attention has been called to the fact that a large number of guests on our mailing list and in attendance at our Ceremonials who are members of other Shrine Temples have taken up permanent residence in our jurisdiction. Many of these Nobles who are not strangers to Aleppo have sought information with reference to transferring to Aleppo Temple and continue to participate in our Ceremonials and other functions as a member of Aleppo instead of as a guest.

The law requires a Noble to reside in the jurisdiction of any Temple with which he wishes to affiliate, at least six months. A member of another Temple who is in good standing with dues paid for the current year is entitled to a demit upon written request to his Temple. This demit accompanied by a petition for affiliation, filed with the Recorder of Aleppo Temple is all that is necessary to become affiliated with Aleppo.

There is no fee for affiliation to membership in Aleppo and if the Noble affiliating is in possession of his current year card the same will be exchanged for a current year Aleppo card at the time of his affiliation without charge.

If there are Nobles in our jurisdiction who feel that they would like to affiliate and become active members and have a voice in Aleppo Temple where they now reside, they are most heartily welcome.

A MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR PAST IMPERIAL POTENTATE

THE year 1952 now belongs to the ages. But in years to come men will remember 1952 as a year of hope, and one of promise. Shrinedom has again prospered and grown stronger, in numbers and in purpose. In the hearts of its membership, and in the minds of all men, the Shrine has continued to justify the hopes and desires of its founders.

Men are only little boys grown up. Perhaps some of us are fortunate enough never to grow up completely. A Shriner's heart and mind are indissolubly entwined with the memories and hopes and joys of childhood and of youth. His more serious thoughts are for the welfare and happiness of little children; but this joy of doing for others is also reflected in the carefree fellowship of the Shrine itself. "There the cares, anxieties, vexations, and struggles of our daily life are laid aside and temporarily forgotten, while we enjoy the beneficial relaxation of fraternal friendship and harmless amusement."

In this worried, troubled, and restless world of ours today, a Noble of the Shrine has learned in the mystic and joyous land of the scimitar and crescent, that:

"Age is a quality of mind.
If hope is cold;
If you no longer look ahead;
If your ambitious fires are dead,
Then you are OLD.
But, if from life you take the best,
And if, through life you keep the zest;
If Faith you hold,
No matter how the birthdays fly;
No matter how the years go by,
You are NOT old."

Hundreds of years ago, Ponce de Leon, sailing hopefully from lands across the sea, failed to find the fountain of youth anywhere on this continent — even in Florida. But that was before the days of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. We of the Shrine have found it.

Yours with and in the Faith,

ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.
Past Imperial Potentate.

OUR BROTHERHOOD

By James J. Metcalf

THERE is no greater aim in life. . . . Or one that does more good. . . . Than striving for perfection in. . . . The bond of brotherhood. . . . To work and play, to rest and pray. . . . And do the best we can. . . . For God and country, for our home. . . . And every fellowman. . . . To live in faith and friendship and. . . . In peace from day to day. . . . To greet the stranger on the street. . . . And help him on his way. . . . For only as we build the world. . . . Can we expect to earn. . . . The happiness and favors that. . . . Are given in return. . . . And only as we persevere. . . . In doing what is good. . . . May there be confidence that God. . . . Will bless our brotherhood.

(Reprinted from Boston Globe)

NOBLE ARTHUR GODFREY

DUE to the popularity of television's top performer, Arthur Godfrey, the Recorder has received many requests from members of the Temple and their families for information with reference to Mr. Godfrey's connection with the fraternity and the Shrine. These requests have, no doubt, been motivated by the fact that he has, on occasion, mentioned the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children during some of his broadcasts.

During one of Mr. Godfrey's broadcasts he made mention of the fact that he was a member of a Shrine in Washington. Therefore, in order to obtain authentic information regarding his membership, a request was sent to the Recorder of Almas Shrine Temple in Washington who has forwarded the following information to the Recorder of Aleppo Temple: "Arthur Godfrey is a member of Acacia Lodge No. 18, of Washington, D. C.; Albert Pike Consistory, Washington, D. C., and joined Almas Temple of the Shrine May 19, 1937. At present he holds his current Shrine card and is also a Permanent Contributing Shrine Member of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children."

"A MESSAGE FROM THE POTENTATE"

WHEN you elected me one year ago to serve as your Potentate, you conferred upon me a very happy privilege, one which has not been, and can never be forgotten. It has been a rugged year and yet one of the most interesting and pleasing of my entire career.

To be Potentate of Aleppo Temple, the fourth largest Temple in all Shrinedom, is indeed a great honor, and in my limited travels, your Potentate as Aleppo's Representative, has been greeted most warmly and every courtesy has been extended.

During the first half of my term of office I was most fortunate to have been so closely associated with our then Imperial Potentate, Aleppo's own Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. In my planning and working for Aleppo's part in the June Miami National Shrine Convention our paths crossed frequently and always pleasantly, and on the several occasions when attending visitations as his guest, I swelled with pride for Aleppo, because of its gift to the office of Imperial Potentate. Thank you, Judge, for everything.

Were I to attempt to thank all who have been helpful, the list of names would look nearly like that of the official organization printed in the March 19 Ceremonial notice, or the Aleppo membership list. (Let's say 99.44%.)

The elected Divan, every Past Potentate and the appointed officers have left little to be desired.

It may seem trite to speak of our Recorder, Harvey Leggee, but I firmly believe he is Heaven's gift to Aleppo.

Our Second Ceremonial Master, Fred Duncan, who was an active member of the Uniformed Units for many years, met with a serious accident months ago and has been unable to fill his station during the past year. In his absence Noble and Illustrious Brother Whitfield W. Johnson, 33°, has carried on ably for him. Illustrious Brother Johnson, best known to his myriad of friends as "Whit," served five years as Grand Marshal, one as Senior Grand Warden and is now Judge Advocate of the Grand Lodge. He also is the presiding officer of one of our Scottish Rite Bodies, as well as Master of Ceremonies for the Deputy for Massachusetts, Illustrious Claude L. Allen, 33°. He has answered the many other demands made by your Potentate upon his busy time and I am deeply grateful. Thank you, "Whit," sincerely.

You will find in this notice some information and statistics by Our Recorder, which I requested him to write over his signature. The selection from the Imperial Code and Aleppo By-Laws are his, as is the entire article. It would be well for us all to read it carefully. He will also give some data on deaths, demits, suspensions, change of addresses, total membership and other interesting and valuable information.

Your Temple is really a big business with more than 14,000 members.

It would be impossible to write of the many things done in a single year in one notice.

Our Shrine Headquarters has had a face lifting, badly needed; a mostly idle room has been converted into an office for the Potentate, who never had one. This room is named in honor of Aleppo's only Imperial Potentate.

On Sunday, November 9, your officers, with their brilliant uniforms and colorful Band and Uniformed Units, formed a part of the large Masonic Parade commemorating the Bicentennial of Worshipful Brother George Washington becoming a Mason. The exercises held in Mechanics Building following the parade, were most impressive. Our Grand Master, Rev. Dr. Roy, gave a most interesting address. Massachusetts Consistory presented a Pageant depicting the life of Washington and our Aleppo Chanters gave several selections; as did also the Shrine Band.

On November 3 Ashler Lodge of Rockport, in your Potentate's home town, invited your Potentate and his officers to exemplify the second and third sections of the Master Masons' degree.

November 19, Eliot, my mother Lodge and December 22, Loyalty Lodge honored us likewise. On each of these occasions your Potentate was honored by having on his suite, Masons of distinction and high degree.

We wish to extend the congratulations of Aleppo Temple to Noble Sinclair Weeks, our own member, upon his selection as Secretary of Commerce in President-elect Eisenhower's Cabinet. And speaking strictly for himself, your Potentate congratulates our country in having Noble Weeks' services. He is a member of all the York Rite bodies in Newton and more than a score of years ago your Potentate had the honor of presenting his name to the Scottish Rite in Boston. He is capable, honorable and dependable.

On Thursday, January 15th, I will relinquish my duties as Potentate to my successor in office. He has my sincere wish for a most



ILLUSTRIOUS MELVIN MAYNARD JOHNSON, Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the 33rd and last degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America and Senior Active Member for Massachusetts.

Noble Johnson is a member of Aleppo Temple and was our Honored Guest at the November 21st Ceremonial.

pleasant term of office and I know he will have a successful administration.

In our March 19 message we said we had no desire to break records, our thoughts are the same today. I quote the closing five lines of that message. "One ambition your Potentate does have this year is for a true fraternal feeling and understanding between every Master Mason and every Shriner, particularly in our own Commonwealth. If we can help to bring that about then we shall feel that the year has been well worthwhile."

Of several letters received during the last few months, I have chosen one written shortly after the Miami Convention in June. The writer is Ill. Albert H. Fiebach, 33°, of Cleveland, Ohio, Past Imperial Potentate.

"Lawson W. Oakes, 33°

"*Dear Illustrious Sir:*

"The Shrine convention of 1952 is now merely a memory, but as I told you we really made history this year, thanks to your magic hand. I was thrilled beyond words to see Dr. Johnson and his associates in our reviewing stand for both parades and at the various banquets, apparently enjoying our pageantry to the fullest extent. Every member of the Imperial Council is indebted to you for this accomplishment. Both of our great organizations should be benefitted by this display of harmony and frank good fellowship.

"Sincerely yours in the Faith,

"AL."

Illustrious Noble Fiebach, in his letter, is referring to Melvin M. Johnson, Sovereign Grand Commander; Claude L. Allen, Past Grand Master and Deputy for Massachusetts; Lester R. Hill, Deputy for New Hampshire and F. Elmer Raschig, Grand Secretary General. All active thirty-thirds and ardent Shriners. Also Most Worshipful and Illustrious Brother Thomas Sherrard Roy, 33rd, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts and first Imperial Chaplain of the Shrine.

I give to each of you my heartfelt wishes for a Happy New Year. And may we say with the Latin Poet Virgil, "Perchance even these things it will be hereafter delightful to remember."

Sincerely yours in the Faith,

LAWSON W. OAKES
Illustrious Potentate

ALEPPO HITS 14,000 MARK

AS the copy for this Ceremonial Notice is being prepared in the fading hours of 1952 and the annual reports of our membership are being prepared it appears certain that Aleppo Temple's membership as of January 1, 1953 will be well over the 14,000 mark.

This goal was reached despite the loss of approximately 266 Nobles by death, 58 by demits and 134 by suspension.

This is the first time since 1932 that Aleppo Temple has reported an annual membership of over 14,000. As the Shrine of North America marches forward, Aleppo Temple keeps in stride and maintains its position as one of the finest Temples in Shrinedom.

With a 14,000 membership — almost as large as the population of some large cities and larger than many small towns — Aleppo is bound to have the moving van at its door, often. Aleppo Temple had no less than 2,100 changes of address in 1951, which proves that Shriners are continually on the move.

When a Noble moves and sends us his new address we can keep in contact with him. But, a few of our Nobles have evidently strayed from the flock and are "Lost on the Desert."

Following are names and last known addresses of our Nobles whose mail is being returned by the Post Office. If you know their present location we would be pleased to have you contact us, that we may round them up.

HERBERT E. ANDERSON
General Delivery
Seekonk, Mass.

HYMAN AUERBACH
535 Albany Street
Boston 18, Mass.

WALTER S. BALTZER
140 Riverside Avenue
Medford 55, Mass.

J. WALTER BOWERS
153 Bliss Road
Longmeadow, Mass.

WILLIAM GLOVER BROWN, JR.
26 Granite Street
Gloucester, Mass.

WALTER H. BUSS
Box 13
Wilmington, Mass.

NATHAN G. CORDER
1641 West Grace Street
Richmond, Virginia

ARTHUR J. CARNES
46 Center Street
Malden 48, Mass.

ELLER D. CHAPMAN
Millinocket, Maine

THEODORE E. CLIFTON
40 Trinity Place
Boston 16, Mass.

PHILIP SYDNEY COCHRANE
908 Beacon Street
Boston 15, Mass.

JOAQUIN E. CODINHA, JR.
4005 Ithaca Street
Elmhurst, Long Island, N. Y.

MAHLON C. CURRIER
Danville, New Hampshire

ST. CLAIR E. HALE
223 Columbus Avenue
Boston 16, Mass.

JAMES M. HARLESS
U.S.S. *Grand Canyon*
c/o FPO, New York, N. Y.

HARRY W. HOLT
P.O. Box 261
Hot Springs, South Dakota

OLIVER A. JOHNSON
Sagamore Beach, Mass.

RALPH W. JOHNSON
27 Highland Avenue
Milford, Mass.

GEORGE KRAMER
136 Sever Street
Grove Hall 21, Mass.

IRVING M. LOEBER
Box 1008
Fall River, Mass.

HAROLD S. LOGAN
10 Netherlands Road
Brookline 46, Mass.

JOSEPH B. MACALLISTER
Box 146
Middleboro, Mass.

ANGUS J. MACKILLIP
29 Ellington Road
Wollaston 70, Mass.

ROBERT M. MARSHAK
120 Boylston Street
Boston 16, Mass.

JOHN ELLIS PALMER
Colonial Hotel
Gardner, Mass.

JOHN J. PAYNE
450 Waverly Avenue
Newton Center 59, Mass.

LOUIS REICH
1415A East 3rd Street
Long Beach 12, Calif.

MILO G. ROBERTS
6817 De Longpre Avenue
Los Angeles, Calif.

LEROY P. ROBINSON
Archer-Daniels-Midland Company
Cleveland, Ohio

GEORGE B. SAMUEL
46 Thackeray Road
Wellesley 82, Mass.

CHRISTOPHER C. SKAMBIS
Converse Road
Marion, Mass.

GLENN W. SPIES
811 Confederation Bldg.
Montreal, Quebec

ALFRED SPOHRER
31 Massachusetts Avenue
Boston 15, Mass.

RAYMOND C. STANLEY
3 Glenmore Terrace
Newton Highlands 61, Mass.

WALTER H. STOWERS
22 Tower Street
Kingston, R. I.

ROBERT J. TAYLOR
612 Parliament Street
Toronto, Ontario

LOUIS E. TIMSON
15 W. Baltimore Street
Lynn, Mass.

ANDREW S. WENTWORTH
East Boothbay, Maine

SIDNEY WERBER
36 Bancroft Avenue
Milford, Mass.

THE "LITTLE THINGS"

YOU are a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and as such you are a member of a vast organization surrounded with many facts, customs, rules, and principles. Most of us know the generalities of our Order, but often we fall down on our knowledge of the "little things." For your information, a group of facts which every member of our Order should know is printed below. They are taken from Shrine Publications from all over the Nation. We believe you will find them both interesting and informative. They are the "little things" that every Noble should know!"

STARS ON THE FEZ

The stars on the Fez on an Imperial officer are thus explained: The Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America wears the regulation fez with five gold stars on the front near the bottom. The Past Imperial Potentate also wears five stars, but the outside ones are silver with the three center ones in gold. Other Imperial officers wear three gold stars on the front near the bottom of the fez.

WEARING THE FEZ

The Fez is not to be worn except while participating in or attending a Shrine function or activity. It is not to be removed, whether indoors or outdoors, except during the offering of a prayer. At that time, it is removed and held in the right hand over the heart.

SALUTE

The Military Salute is used when reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and during the playing or singing of the National Anthem.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

A noble who is wearing his Fez will execute a right-hand salute when the Colors are within six paces of him; he will not remove his Fez. After the Colors have passed he should drop his right hand. In case the same Colors pass the same point again, as frequently happens in a Ceremonial procession or in display drills, the Colors need not be saluted a second time. The same rule applies to street parades.

PRAYER

During the offering of a prayer, the Fez should be removed and held in the right hand over the heart.

HOW DO YOU STAND?

It is rather difficult to contemplate a situation wherein your Temple has to pay the Annual Crippled Children's Hospital dues for each of its members before all the Nobility have paid their dues, but that is exactly what we have to do — it is Imperial law and you and I, all of us, signed the constitution which provides for just that.

Frankly, we hesitate to mention dues but a going concern must have the wherewithal to continue day in and day out. Aleppo has a reputation for doing big things in a big way and wouldn't it be a signal honor and an enviable position to be in, if we were able to say to all Shriners, "Aleppo is 100% in her dues column?"

Aleppo can only grow by taking care of her members and in turn, her members supporting her in the way they intended doing when they joined, plus the obligating of new members — those worthy friends of all of us who, perhaps are just waiting for you to assist them to come in.

Remember Aleppo's initiation fee is still only \$75.00 and the Temple and Hospital dues \$15.00 a year, both of which are the minimum allowed by the Imperial Council. It's an honor to be a Shriner and a privilege to be a part of the World's Greatest Philanthropy, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, and contribute \$5.00 a year toward the rebuilding of little crippled bodies.

Aleppo has advanced the 1953 Shrine Hospital dues of \$5.00 to the Imperial Council for all of its members. If yours hasn't been paid, don't you think you should send it in today and help to put Aleppo in the 100% column?

HARVEY B. LEGGEE,
Recorder



IMPERIAL POTENTATE HARVEY A. BEFFA

A Message from the Imperial Potentate

OUR Shrine organization continues to be great because it has enjoyed dignified leadership throughout its entire existence as a Fraternal Organization.

To be a leader and to maintain dignity among the membership of a Temple one must first be dignified himself and govern himself accordingly. To expect dignity in all Nobles one must first learn what the word means. Defined — it is nobility of manner or style, intrinsic worth or excellence, elevation of character, thinking and acting on a plane that is an inspiration of good to others. Dignity is much more than that; it is the manner in which we live and portray our thoughts to others; it is the ability to recognize good from evil and maintain the good in one's own individual makeup.

Dignity of purpose is a necessary attribute of all our leaders and without it our leadership will fail in their efforts to lead us on to even greater heights than we have enjoyed in

the past. It is a virtue that must be learned and practiced by those in office to insure any degree of success in an ambitious program for growth and advancement in the future.

Every Temple officer is an important cog in the wheel that must function in the proper manner if our work is to be successful. It is to be remembered that the ugly spectre of greed and lust for power have pushed dignity far in the background and we know that our leadership cannot have hatred and jealousy eating at their hearts and at the same time promote success, harmony and agreement in our fraternal work. We must remember our early teaching of those who can best work and best agree.

The Shrine sets itself up as a select group whose conduct is proclaimed as an example of individual dignity of purpose, and the Nobility is charged to support this thought without, as well as within, the walls of our Temples. Elevate your thinking and your actions so that only glory and credit may reflect to the mantle of the great Order we all strive to maintain on an enviable high plane.

Yours in the Faith,

HARVEY BEFFA
Imperial Potentate

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.
IMPERIAL POTENTATE'S
CEREMONIAL

In Honor of Illustrious Noble

HARVEY A. BEFFA

Imperial Potentate of The Shrine of North America

Friday, June 19, 1953

Mechanics Building, Boston Entrance — 99 Huntington Avenue

INITIATION OF CANDIDATES
"Imperial Potentate's Class"

FULL FORM CEREMONIAL and STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Let's give our Imperial Potentate a real Aleppo welcome

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL
New Entrance to Afternoon Meeting, 131 Huntington Avenue

BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM

All Candidates initiated at this Ceremonial will become members of the
"Imperial Potentate's Class"

SPECIAL NOTICE: Petitions for membership to be acted on at this meeting
must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday,
June 17, 1953 — (two days before the meeting).

BUFFET DINNER - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.
GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

ENTRANCE TO BANQUET HALL AND EVENING CEREMONIAL
99 HUNTINGTON AVENUE

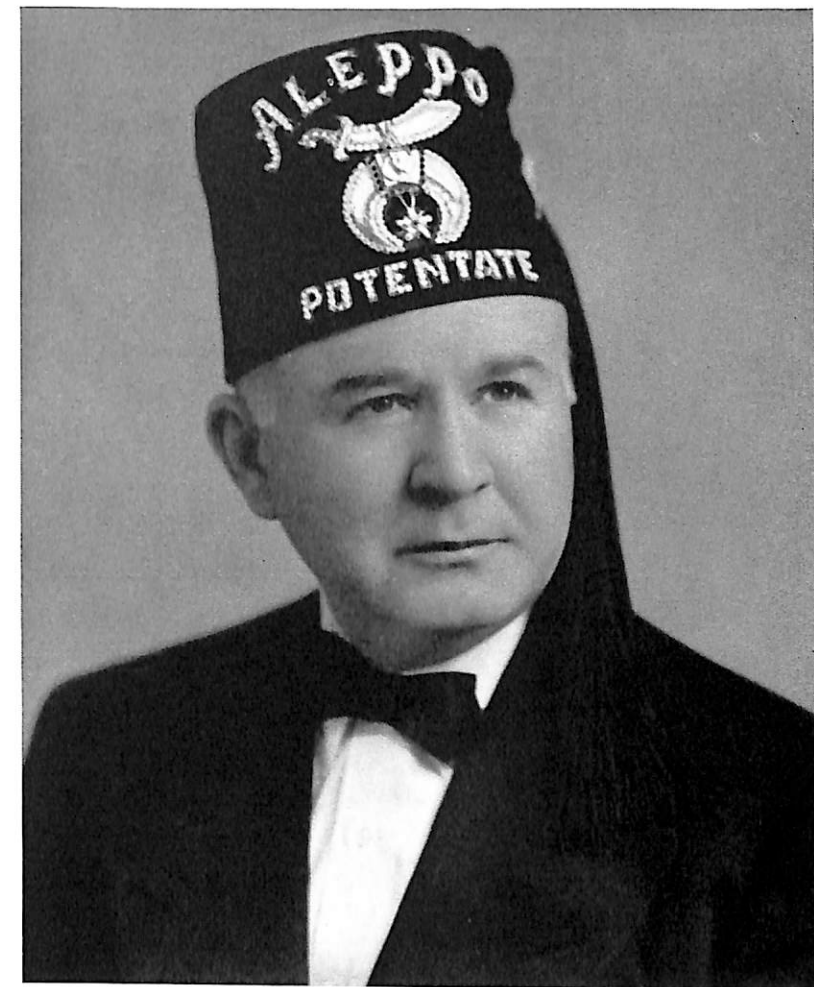
5:00 P.M. — ORGAN CONCERT — Grand Hall
BAND CONCERT — Aleppo Shrine Band

6:30 P.M. — EVENING CEREMONIAL — EVENING PARADE AND REVIEW —
INTRODUCTION OF IMPERIAL POTENTATE
SECOND SECTION WORK — VAUDEVILLE SHOW

By direction of the Illustrious Potentate the new Aleppo Temple Guard has been formed and
will be on duty at this Ceremonial. The Nobility are informed that in order to gain admit-
tance to the Temple the 1953 Shrine card must be shown and pass words given on entering
the Temple.

Harvey B. Leggee
Recorder

Arthur G. MacKenzie
Illustrious Potentate



ILLUSTRIOUS POTENTATE ARTHUR G. MacKENZIE

Message from the
Potentate

NOBLES:

This is a happy opportunity for me to express my sincere
appreciation to all of my Elected Divan, Appointed Officers,
Past Potentates, Uniformed Units, and every member of
Aleppo, who have given me such magnificent support in all of
our activities during my first four months in office.

The resuming of our popular Shrine Luncheons was wel-
comed by all. This activity alone gives us a splendid chance
to meet and renew certain friendships and encourage new
memberships in our great Order. These Luncheons will be
continued in the Fall, one to be held Wednesday, October 21,
and one Monday, December 14, at the Hotel Statler, Boston,
at the usual time of 12:30.

We have been striving to make notable progress in all of
the Aleppo activities. By the time we have our Spring Cere-
monial a new unit will have been inaugurated in Aleppo, the
"Temple Guard," under the capable direction of our Captain
of the Guard, Hubert N. Bernard, Jr.

Of course, June 19th will be a red letter day in the Oasis of
Aleppo Temple when our honored guest at the Spring Cere-
monial and Strawberry Festival will be our Imperial Poten-
tate, Illustrious Noble Harvey A. Beffa, of Moolah Temple,
St. Louis, Missouri.

The class of candidates to be initiated at this Ceremonial
will be named "The Imperial Potentate's Class" and it is

hoped that each Noble will consider himself a committee of
one to sponsor a candidate and answer the Imperial Poten-
tate's plea to put the national Shrine membership over the
1,000,000 mark this year. His slogan is "EACH ONE
BRING ONE."

Since my induction as Illustrious Potentate last January,
I have had the honor and the privilege of visiting many fra-
ternal gatherings and making the acquaintance of thousands
of fine Masons and Shriners, and I have found that a good
Mason is a credit to the Shrine, and a good Shriner is a credit
to Masonry.

I believe the Shrine offers much in friendship and fellow-
ship as well as a chance for men to enter into good, clean,
wholesome fun, ever mindful of our more serious objective,
the mending of little crippled bodies through our Shrine Hos-
pital movement, known as the "World's Greatest Philan-
thropy."

Our organization is one of America's greatest and strongest
fraternities, both in numbers and in quality. Our membership
includes many of the nation's leading professional and busi-
ness men.

Yes, we are proud of the Shrine and what it stands for.
We are proud of our ties with the Masonic fraternity. Let
us, as Shriners, ever meet, act, and part as good Masons and
thereby bring credit to ourselves and honor to all Shrinedom.

Arthur G. MacKenzie

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE HARVEY A. BEFFA IMPERIAL POTENTATE

THE Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, Illustrious Noble Harvey A. Beffa of Moolah Temple, St. Louis, Missouri, will pay an official and fraternal visitation to Aleppo Temple at our Spring Ceremonial, Friday, June 19. Imperial Potentate Beffa is Shrinedom's No. 1 Shriner, and we welcome him to our Oasis.

Harvey Beffa inherited his industry, his enthusiasm and courage from his father and mother who came to America in 1880 from Ariolo in the Swiss Alps. He was born in St. Louis, June 19, 1900 and he has resided there ever since. At the age of fifteen he went to work for his father in the wrecking and building supply business and continued there for seventeen years until he was severely stricken with poliomyelitis. Both arms and legs were paralyzed and for two years he was almost helpless. He spent many months in Warm Springs, Ga., where at that time he met and was inspired by another polio victim, Franklin D. Roosevelt. After a slow and painful process he recovered the use of his arms and legs with the aid of a brace and a cane.

In 1922 he married the charming Henrietta Stahl whose loyalty and love have been of infinite help during all of the years that have been marked by so many and varied experiences. The family circle embraces two sons and two daughters. In 1925 his long association in Freemasonry began when he was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. In the same year he became a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Noble of Moolah Temple. In 1939 he became president of the Central States Shrine Association and the next year was installed Illustrious Potentate of Moolah Temple. Then followed a decade of official association and service, first with the St. Louis Unit, and then the National Board of Trustees, Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children. This service won for him national recognition in the Shrine and in 1944 at Milwaukee he was elected Imperial Outer Guard.

In addition to his business interest and Masonic work, he has found time to be very active in civic affairs. As Publicity Director of the St. Louis Community Chest campaign in 1942 he established the Red Feather symbol which has since been adopted nationally. He was a pioneer in fund raising in Missouri for fighting infantile paralysis. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Illustrious Noble Beffa was elected Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America at the Imperial Council Session at Miami, Florida, on Thursday, June 19, 1952.

SPECIAL NOTICE

THE following proposed amendment of the By-Laws of Aleppo Temple was presented in writing at the last business meeting of the Temple and will come up for action at the business meeting to be held in Paul Revere Hall, Mechanics Building, Friday, June 19, 1953, at 3:30 P.M.:

Moved to Amend Article VI of By-Laws of Aleppo Temple by adding to said Article VI the following new sections:

Sect. 5. Notice for payment of annual dues shall be mailed members not later than the first day of November next preceding the date when such dues are payable.

Sect. 6. Annual dues received prior to the first day of January of the year for which same are actually payable shall be retained intact in a separate fund until the close of the calendar year during which they are collected, and shall not be used for payment of bills incurred prior to said first of January; and the Treasurer's Report, rendered as of December 31 each year, shall specify the amount of unpaid indebtedness of the Temple as of said date.



Our Imperial Potentate Harvey A. Beffa, himself a victim of poliomyelitis, is given a personally conducted tour of one of our Shrine Hospitals by a little patient.

MADE IN AMERICA

IN EVERY period of history there have arisen conditions which have tested the power of Right, conditions under which our theories or moral rightness must meet the forces of Wrong. In fact, it is just as natural as the rising and setting sun. Our ideas of Right and Justice must gain strength by meeting and defeating opposing forces.

What happens outside America is important; what happens inside of us as individual Americans is of the utmost importance.

The Intolerance of Communism has importance only in ratio to the strength of Tolerance in America.

The enslavement of the masses in Russia has importance only in ratio to the genuine Freedom of America.

The throttling of Freedom of Thought and of Speech in Russia has importance only in ratio to the extent that we in America live up to the moral responsibility that naturally goes with the privileges of Freedom.

The crushing of Religious Freedom in Russia has importance only in ratio to the degree of Freedom that we accept and grant in America.

The church which arrogantly declares that it is the *only church*; the church that teaches children that their playmates will not "go to heaven" because they do not believe this or that; the public official that betrays public trust; the parents who teach their children that other people are inferior because they speak with an accent — are guilty of creating a Made-in-America Communism.

The rise of Wrong is a challenge to increase the Power of Right.

MASONIC MESSENGER, Georgia

SHRINE EMBLEMS

IN TRADING the old car for a new one, please be sure that all Shrine Emblems or decals are removed. The new owner who purchases the car as a used one with the decal still a part of the car will probably not know the meaning or significance of it. You paid for the privilege of wearing or displaying the Shrine Emblem in some form or other and you should treat it as a sacred possession. To see it displayed on a car is to take it for granted that the owner is a Noble. It is your duty to always protect the badge of a Shriner.

ALEPPO UNIFORMED UNITS TO ATTEND NEW YORK SHRINE CONVENTION

ILLUSTRIOUS Potentate Arthur G. MacKenzie has announced that Aleppo Temple will again this year be represented in the two big Shrine Parades at the National Shrine Convention to be held in New York City the week of July 12.

Nearly 400 Officers and Uniformed Nobles will attend the Convention which is expected to break all records for attendance.

The big morning parade, which officially opens the Convention, will be held Tuesday morning, July 14, and the brilliant, illuminated night parade on Thursday evening, July 16. Both parades will start at Central Park and go down Fifth Avenue, marching west, through famous Times Square, the Mecca of the Universe.

Three gigantic shows will be given in Madison Square Garden, called "Meccarabia," an Oriental Fantasy depicting the splendors and glories of the Mystic Shrine, written especially for this 1953 Imperial Council Session. The show will bring together many famous names in the show world, stars of Broadway, Radio and Television fame. These shows will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, July 13, 14 and 15. A new and different show each night.

A book of tickets is being issued by the Shrine Committee in New York, giving the purchaser a reserved seat for each of the two parades and three Madison Square Garden shows, as well as a colorful Convention souvenir program. Books of tickets may be obtained by sending check for as many books as desired, at the rate of \$12.00 per book, to "1953 Imperial Council Session New York, Inc.," Hotel Commodore, Lexington Avenue at 42nd Street, New York 17, New York.

Hotel reservations for the Convention are being handled by a special Housing Committee headed by Noble Royal W. Ryan, 500 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York, as chairman.

New York City is celebrating its 300th Anniversary which should add to the gaiety of the occasion. Everything is being done to make the visiting Nobles happy and have a great time in New York this year.

WHAT THE SHRINE STANDS FOR

EVERYONE who comes into Shrine Membership has his origin in the Blue Lodge where he is taught to revere the name of God. He is also taught to pray and respect the Deity and his brother Masons. He then advances on through one or the other of the Masonic Rites where his knowledge of the dignity of Masonry is expanded. He then enters the Shrine where he is permitted to join with the Nobility in fun, pleasure and amusement; yet in a greater measure to participate in the realization of being a part of an organization that practices the broad principles of toleration. He is also a part of the greatest charitable endeavor in the world today.

The work of Shriners Hospitals is recognized the world over for the vast successes enjoyed throughout the past years. If for no other reason, he should be proud to be associated as a Shriner; yet the Shrine was not given to Masons for exercising practices that would not be tolerated in the Masonic bodies.

The Shrine stands for all that is good in Masonry and since all of Masonry is good, the Shrine stands for all of Masonry. The Shrine stands for wholesomeness in life and living; it stands for letting in the sunshine on discouragement and grief and woe, and it would substitute hope for despair at all times; it brings members in close fraternal touch and it breeds confidence between the wearers of the scimitar and the crescent.

The Shrine has always been made up of the finest type of men in any community — men whom you are glad to know and work with; men who travel by preference on the sunny side of the street and who play a fair game all the time. They expend every effort in this work and also their play, but they know when to apply the brakes. They sow kindness and reap happy friendships.

Membership in the Shrine gives the right to wear its emblems and to participate in its good works as well as its pleasures. We should guard well this sacred privilege.



NOBLE CHRISTIAN A. HERTER, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, receiving an Honorary Membership in Aleppo Temple from Potentate Arthur G. MacKenzie. The presentation took place in the Governor's office at the State House.

WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION

WE RECOGNIZE that as a prerequisite to membership in the Shrine one must either be a Knight Templar or a 32nd degree Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Mason. Each of these bodies in turn has its prerequisite membership, which is membership in good standing in the Blue Lodge.

It is one of the objects and purposes of the Shrine to establish a common ground where all Masons may meet but a Noble should never forget that he owes his right to membership in the Shrine to the prerequisite bodies.

For that reason you should make all arrangements to attend your Lodges at least occasionally. You will be well pleased at the personal good you will get from such a practice.

Arrange your calendars now to make this possible and let us show every prerequisite body that a Noble never forgets that he is a Mason.

Merely joining the Shrine does not change a man's character.

CAPE COD CONSISTORY CLUB ANNUAL CLAMBAKE

AGAIN this year the Nobles of Aleppo and their families are invited to participate in the Annual Clambake of the Cape Cod Consistory Club. This year's Bake will be held at the Hammond Manor, Pocasset, Massachusetts, off Route 128, on Sunday, August 16. The Bake will be made by Holmes & Young, Caterers, who specialize in Cape Cod Clambakes.

The Committee advises that arrangements have been made for golf privileges at the Pocasset Golf Club, for those wishing to arrive early and play golf. Reservations for golf may be made on arrival.

Facilities are also available for private boat docking at the Hammond Manor.

Tickets for the Clambake, which are \$4.00 each, are available at the Scottish Rite Office, 51 Boylston Street, Boston, and Charles E. Fuller, Jr., Hyannis.

FOUNDER OF SHRINERS HOSPITALS DEAD

THE Shriner who founded the "World's Greatest Philanthropy," The Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, illustrious Noble W. Freeland Kendrick, passed away March 20, 1953, in Philadelphia University Hospital. He was 78 years old.

In 1920 illustrious Noble Kendrick proposed to the Imperial Council in session at Portland, Oregon, the great philanthropic work of hospital service for unfortunate crippled children. The Council swiftly accepted the challenge and engaged in the rehabilitation of crippled youngsters, which has resulted in the curing of nearly half a million youngsters, regardless of race, creed, or color, in the seventeen Shriners Hospitals in North America.

Noble Kendrick served as Potentate of Lu Lu Temple in Philadelphia for twelve consecutive years from 1906 to 1918, and was elected Imperial Potentate in 1919. In 1920 he was again re-elected and served for three more years as Potentate.

He was a Past Master of his Lodge, a Past Excellent High Priest of his Chapter, Past Commander of a Commandery of Knights Templar, a member of Benjamin Franklin Consistory, 32°, and received the Thirty-third Degree in Boston, September 21, 1915.

During his year as Imperial Potentate, to which office he was elected June 11, 1919, he and Mrs. Kendrick made visitations to more than 100 Shrine Temples all over North America where his theme was the establishment of hospitals for the rehabilitation of crippled children, in which project he became interested after he had visited the Philadelphia Home for Incurables, where he saw little broken bits of humanity who were condemned to a life of pain and handicap. He envisioned a charity to be conducted by the Shrine which would provide free hospitalization and surgery for the more unfortunate crippled children, regardless of race, color or religion, who might by early treatment be returned to a normal life.

He served the City of Philadelphia as Receiver of Taxes for fourteen years; as a Delegate-at-Large from Pennsylvania to the Republican National Convention in 1920; was inaugurated Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, January 7, 1924, for the years 1924 to 1927 inclusive. During his administration as Mayor, he was considered by many as Philadelphia's best dressed citizen and most photographed Chief Executive. The Sesquicentennial Exposition was held during his term of office and several major municipal improvements were started. He received many distinguished visitors, among them Queen Marie of Roumania, Charles A. Lindbergh, and was entertained and received by Presidents Calvin A. Coolidge, Warren G. Harding and Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Recently he was named "Man of the Week" over Radio Station WPEN of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

His more recent activities consisted of being Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, Chairman of the Local Board of Governors of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children located in Philadelphia, President of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel Co., President of the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania and Elkins Masonic Orphanage, Director of the Bankers Bond and Mortgage Co., a member of the Sons of the Revolution, and at the February commencement of Temple University the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters was conferred upon him in absentia. The Degree was presented to his friend Dr. John Royal Moore, Chief Surgeon of the Philadelphia Unit, Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, by Dr. Richard A. Kern, Past Grand Master of the State of Pennsylvania. Dr. Robert L. Johnson, President of Temple University, presented the Degree in person in Noble Kendrick's suite at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel.

The record of Brother Kendrick's affiliations and activities would seem testimonial enough of his interest in and love for things Masonic, but could only relate in a small degree the energy and support he gave to the Order, and the thousands of friends he numbered in his travels through the various Degrees.



Past Imperial Potentate
W. FREELAND KENDRICK
Founder of the Shriners Hospitals

NOVICES ARE NECESSARY FOR A SUCCESSFUL CEREMONIAL

NOBLES:

HAVE YOU a friend who is a Mason and eligible to now become a Shriner?

HAVE YOU approached him on the possibility of his becoming a member of ALEPPO?

HAVE YOU told him all about the SHRINE and what it stands for?

HAVE YOU told him the SHRINE owns and operates 17 Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children?

HAVE YOU stopped to realize we must have CANDIDATES to make our ceremonials successful?

HAVE YOU signed up your CANDIDATE for the Spring Ceremonial June 19th?

YOU HAVE but just a short time left to get your CANDIDATE. ACT NOW!

FORMER SHRINE HOSPITAL PATIENT PLAYS EAST-WEST FOOTBALL GAME

TWENTY-TWO years ago a 2-year-old youngster was admitted to the San Francisco Unit of the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children to correct a very bad deformity of the legs. In those days the public was not as well informed about bone deformity and corrective measures as they are today, but the parents of this child deserve great credit for having applied for their son's care at the Shriners Hospital at that time.

Operations to correct the deformity were performed and the young patient was discharged in plaster casts. Three months later the casts were removed and the correction was checked at the Hospital Clinic several times each year until the youngster was completely cured.

Little did this youngster, his parents, or the Shriners of San Francisco know at that time that this boy, twenty years later, would star in the great East-West Football Game, sponsored by Islam Shrine Temple of San Francisco for the benefit of the San Francisco Unit of the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

Such is the thrilling story of the nationally known and famous football star, Richard "Dick" Batten, son of a rancher in Dos Palos, California.

After being discharged from the Shriners Hospital, Dick Batten attended the schools of Dos Palos, California, where he was an outstanding star in many sports, including track and football. The Dos Palos high school football team, of which Dick was captain, won the Sequoia League 1947 Championship. In 1948 he enrolled at College of Pacific, Stockton, California, a Protestant religious college where youngsters receive a good education as well as spiritual instruction.

On entering college, Dick Batten had a twin ambition, to make the varsity football team and play well enough to be selected for the Shrine's Annual East-West All-Star Football Game.

To play in the East-West Game was his fondest desire: his chance to repay the Shriners for giving him strong legs!

A casual introduction and handshake with Dick Batten makes it difficult to believe that the strapping 220 pounder spent his third birthday in the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

As a sophomore in college he earned a letter as a defensive lineman on Pacific's undefeated team. His dream of playing in the East-West Game took on brighter colors.

Then came his call to the Marines and the rigorous training that demands supermen, and the deadly fighting through the ice-covered mountains of Korea, where he spent seven months on the front lines and went through the bitter fighting and retreat of the Choisan Reservoir.

Unscathed through the Korea battles, Batten returned to College of Pacific in the Fall of 1951, and immediately pitched into football. Dick failed to make a letter that season but never once was he discouraged; never once did he lose his dream of playing for the Crippled Children in the Shriners Hospital.

Dick started his senior season at Pacific still a defensive lineman. Then in the third game, he was promoted to an offensive post. He came like a whirlwind and was brilliant down the stretch drive that earned "Pacific" an invitation to play in the El Paso Sun Bowl.

The dream that started when Dick was in high school became a reality when he was the first player invited to play on the West squad in the 28th annual Shrine East-West Game. The honor of being the first player invited was accorded to Batten because he will be the first alumnus of the San Francisco Shriners Hospital ever to participate in the East-West Game. Immediately after Dick was chosen to play in the East-West Game, W. M. Coffman, Managing Director of the famed San Francisco Classic, arranged for him to fly to New York. In New York, Batten made several radio and television appearances to tell the glorious story of the Shriners Hospital movement and how he was cured in the San Francisco Unit.

Batten played well for the West Team in one of the greatest games in the history of the East-West fixture. He played



A FORMER SHRINE HOSPITAL PATIENT and Star of the recent East-West Football Game, Richard "Dick" Batten, is shown above being greeted by the Imperial Potentate Harvey A. Beffa before the game.

Others in the photograph are, left to right: William M. Coffman, Past Potentate, Islam Temple and Chairman of the East-West Game; Elmer Robinson, Past Potentate, Islam Temple and Mayor of San Francisco; Earl Warren, Past Potentate, Aahmes Temple and Governor of the State of California; Dick Batten, tackle on the West Team; William H. Woodfield, Jr., Past Imperial Potentate; Harvey A. Beffa, Imperial Potentate, and Francis J. Herz, Potentate of Islam Temple.

so well that he was drafted by the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League. After the East-West Game, Batten — still wearing his sodden and grimy football togs — had the thrill of meeting Imperial Potentate Harvey A. Beffa.

Batten was more than a football player at Pacific. He was a campus leader. Upon his return from Korea, he became Chairman of the College's Red Cross Blood Drive that had record breaking success.

Dick graduates from College of Pacific in June with a degree in Liberal Arts. He will give professional football a try and then go into ranching at his native Dos Palos.

Batten's participation in the East-West Game was also the fruition of a dream for John D. McGilvray, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the San Francisco Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, and Bill Coffman. Associated with the San Francisco game since its inception, both had looked forward to the day when an alumnus of the Shriners Hospital would play in the nationally known East-West Football Game, where "strong legs run that weak legs may walk."

That Dick Batten was a Marine, that he was and is a fine football player is due to the corrective treatment received in the San Francisco Shriners Hospital.

Only in America could the story of Dick Batten happen.

MASONRY AND FREEDOM

IF IT were not for the freemasons of the world today there would be no freedoms.

Never before in the history of man have the principles of Masonry been needed more than at the present time. Imagine if the heads of all the world powers were Masons, who could sit down together and discuss things as you and I would do.

They would have the respect and the trust for one another, knowing that each had traveled the same path, and each was interested in the other's welfare.

Perhaps some day we will live to see the time when men can leave their troubles outside and come into meeting with an open mind and be interested in the welfare of everyone, and not just for selfish desires.

We, as Masons, have a challenge to meet, and we are taught the principles of Masonry in the Lodge that can be applied to our everyday lives.

If we will but remember our Masonic teachings in dealing with our fellowmen in the business world, in the Lodge, the clubs, and in church, we will show the way for continued freedom.

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1952 East-West Football Game

February 22, 1952

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 San Francisco, California

Chairman, Hospital Board

POTENTATE **MANAGING DIRECTOR**
GENERAL CHAIRMAN **RECORDER**

Facsimile of the check of the Islam Temple Football Committee of San Francisco, showing the amount of receipts of \$186,741.01, proceeds of the last East-West Football Game sponsored by the Shrine.

COMING EVENTS IN NEARBY TEMPLES

ALEPPO, Boston, Mass.	Ceremonial, Friday, June 19 Ceremonial, Friday, Sept. 25 Ceremonial, Friday, Nov. 20
ANAH, Bangor, Maine	Ceremonial, Friday, June 26 at Houlton, Maine Cold Sands Ceremonial and Horse Show, Aug. 29-30 at Bangor Fair Grounds
CAIRO, Rutland, Vt.	Clambake, Friday, Aug. 21
KARNAK, Montreal, Quebec	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 5
LUXOR, St. John, N. B.	Ceremonial, Friday, Nov. 27
MELHA, Springfield, Mass.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 12
MT. SINAI, Montpelier, Vt.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Oct. 3
PYRAMID, Bridgeport, Conn.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 12
SPHINX, Hartford, Conn.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 12
TIGRIS, Syracuse, N. Y.	Joint Ceremonial with KALURAH and ZIYARA Saturday, June 13 at Syra- cuse, N. Y.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL SESSION NEW YORK CITY JULY 12-17

Mammoth Parades Tuesday Morning, July 14 and
Thursday Evening, July 16

NEW SHRINE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTED at the last meeting of the Imperial Council of the Shrine of North America in session at New York City was a new Pledge of Allegiance of the Shrine Temples in the United States, which will be given at the opening of each Ceremonial as follows:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

ARE ALL OF YOUR FAMILY SHRINERS?

THE other day we received a letter. Among other things it read, "We shared Uncle Bill's pride in his membership in the Shrine and enjoyed his stories about various occasions he had enjoyed."

It's a fine thing when Masonry and the various Bodies which are dependent on this powerful fraternal organization enter every home for the principles it teaches are beneficial to all.

As the man who belongs, the things you do set an example to the other members of your household and because these things are the right ones, your family is and should be as proud of your membership as if they themselves were members.

We've often enjoyed parading along "Main" Street with good old Aleppo, on the occasion of Imperial Council Sessions, to see along the curb the wives, mothers, children and other relatives watching for a sight of the "Uncle Johns," the "Bills," the "Dads" who are their representative in the parade, and quite an important one, too, so far as they are concerned.

Before and after the affair, the talk in those homes would be only about the great time to come and then after it was all over, a review of what had taken place.

We notice, too, that more and more of the families are taking a greater interest in the work of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children and that often the contacts about these unfortunates come right from the homes, rather than the individual member.

We think it is a fine thing that it should be that way for there is no secret about the good which Masonry and the Shrine do, and surely the families have a right to share in the splendid achievements of these various Masonic Bodies.

In other words, be proud that you are a member and let the family share that pride with you, it will do much to quicken the desire of our young men folks to follow in our footsteps.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER

THOUSANDS of people who have never crossed the threshold of Masonry believe the Red Fez of Shrinedom to be a symbol of Masonry, as much so as the lambskin apron. Not being members of the craft they do not know that Shrinedom is not accepted as a part of Masonry; they know only that all Shriners are Masons.

This being so it is incumbent upon every Shriner to so conduct himself at all times that no discredit fall upon the Shrine; because, if he does, discredit will fall upon Masonry.

He should remember always that in the eyes of thousands the two are inseparable.

ALEPPO TEMPLE, A.A.O.N.M.S.

FALL CEREMONIAL IN FULL FORM

Friday, September 25, 1953

Mechanics Building, Boston

Entrance — 99 Huntington Avenue

INITIATION OF CANDIDATES

AFTERNOON MEETING 3:30 P.M. PAUL REVERE HALL

New Entrance to Afternoon Meeting, 131 Huntington Avenue

**BALLOTING ON CANDIDATES BUSINESS MEETING
RITUAL WORK IN FULL FORM**

SPECIAL NOTICE: Petitions for membership to be acted on at this meeting must be in the Recorder's office not later than 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, September 23, 1953 (two days before the meeting).

BUFFET DINNER - - - - 4:45 TO 6:45 P.M.

GRAND BANQUET HALL, MECHANICS BUILDING

**ENTRANCE TO BANQUET HALL AND EVENING CEREMONIAL
99 HUNTINGTON AVENUE**

WHERE TO MEET YOUR NOBLE FRIENDS

At this Ceremonial the posts in the Grand Banquet Hall will be marked with large signs bearing the names of our living Past Potentates, where Nobles may meet their friends.

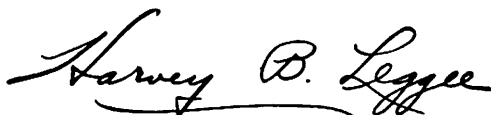
The signs will bear the following names of our living Past Potentates, each in a different location: McKENZIE, POLLARD, CURRY, WILSON, LOMBARD, SONDHEIM, DUNCAN, ELLS, LYNN, SEILER and OAKES. Give your friend the time and place. He will do the rest.

5:00 P.M. — ORGAN CONCERT — Grand Hall

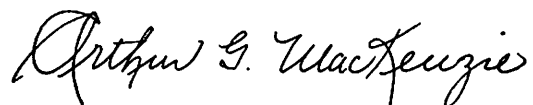
BAND CONCERT — Aleppo Shrine Band

**6:30 P.M. — EVENING CEREMONIAL — EVENING PARADE AND REVIEW —
SECOND SECTION WORK — VAUDEVILLE SHOW**

By direction of the Illustrious Potentate the new Aleppo Temple Guard has been formed and will be on duty at this Ceremonial. In accordance with Imperial Council laws, and to protect our organization from intruders, all Nobles must present their 1953 Shrine Card and give the pass words to the Guards before being admitted to the Temple.



Recorder



Illustrious Potentate

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City, New York. And many other Top Notch Acts

SPECIAL NOTICE — Tuesday, September 29 — Opening Night — is **SHRINE
NIGHT**. Parade and opening exercises by Officers and all Uniformed Units.
Nobles attending opening night are requested to wear their Fez.

NOBLE, JOIN THE ALEPPO DADDY CLUB

Be a Daddy to some needy orphan kiddies! Each year we send thousands of underprivileged
kiddies and orphans to the Boston Garden as your guests.

For every Shrine Coupon you purchase and return to Shrine Headquarters with your check,
we take two of these kiddies as your guests.

We must have your help to complete the job this year. We place on our **"Daddy Club Honor
Roll"** the name of every Noble who purchases at least 5 coupons for the kiddies and mails his
check before the Show opens.

DON'T MISS DOING YOUR PART, NOBLE!

WE ALSO WANT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO ATTEND AND ENJOY THIS SHOW.
You should exchange Coupons to be used for your own admission, at the Boston Garden and
obtain your reserved seat ticket. Don't delay . . . for best seats, **ACT NOW!**

GENERAL INFORMATION:

All Shrine Coupons must be exchanged at the Boston Garden ticket office for admission ticket
and payment of Government tax.

Exchange ticket office at the Boston Garden, where all admission tickets are to be sold, will
be open daily, starting September 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Each Shrine Coupon has a \$1.00 value. One Coupon, plus 20c tax, may be used in exchange at
the Boston Garden for each \$1.00 admission ticket. Each Coupon is also worth \$1.00 towards
special reserved and box seats.

General admission tickets are \$1.00 plus 20c tax. Reserved seat and box seat tickets, \$2.00,
\$2.50 and \$3.00, including tax.

CAUTION: Any Shrine Coupons NOT used for actual exchange at the Boston Garden should
be returned to the Shrine office. **DO NOT TURN UNUSED TICKETS IN** elsewhere!

A Message from the Potentate

GREETINGS, NOBLES OF ALEPPO!

THIS message marks the end of seven joyous months for me
as your Illustrious Potentate. A cherished honor in itself,
but the added privilege of serving a Temple as great as Aleppo
makes me even more grateful to have been chosen for this office.

My aim has been to have all of you who could share in the
good times as well as the more serious problems of our organiza-
tion. It is as important to sign up for pleasure as for business.
A good representation in both is a splendid indication that all is
well. I am happy to note that your response to my call for your
cooperation all the way through has been 100%.

It is a pleasure for me to extend a very cordial welcome to all
the new members of our Fraternity who have joined us during
my term of office. I sincerely hope each one of you will look into
the different activities, choose the one you are most interested
in and, at the same time, feel you can serve best, whether it be
with the Arab Patrol, Shrine Band, Degree Staff, Mounted
Patrol, Chanters, Oriental Band, or Temple Guard. There is
always a place for any Noble who is interested in the betterment
of our Order. Be a "do-er" . . . not just a "join-er."

I am sure all of you feel, just as I do, that Aleppo deserved all
the favorable publicity it received during the Convention in
New York. Our Uniformed Units, under the continued capable
leadership of Colonel Benjamin Vaughan, came in for their usual
well deserved high praise. Such an outstanding group, precision
perfect, stand to make us proud every time they perform.

Our Band, expertly directed by Walter Smith, is always a
leading attraction. On one particular occasion they entertained
the patients at Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital in New York
while attending our National Shrine Convention, and gave much
happiness to all. On this same occasion the members of the Degree
Staff with their skillful Director, Frank Watson, attended in a
body and added their share to the pleasure of the day.

The Chanters, with their talented conductor, Earl Weidner,
drew the high honor of singing at the New York Rotary Club
and our Bandmaster Walter Smith played a cornet solo. A group
of very distinguished business men are among the home club
members, and many interesting representative men reporting
as visitors swell the attendance. Permit me to add, modestly,
that your Potentate, a past president of Rotary, was the guest
of honor at this luncheon, and you can imagine how proud I was
to be there with my own group of Nobles from Aleppo.

It was my good fortune to be able to make arrangements for
these men who represented us in such grand style to see the
Firestone Hour T.V. Show; also the dress rehearsal for the Ed
Sullivan Show. It is quite familiar to so many of us and the
chance to see it in the making added to the overall interest in the
finished production.

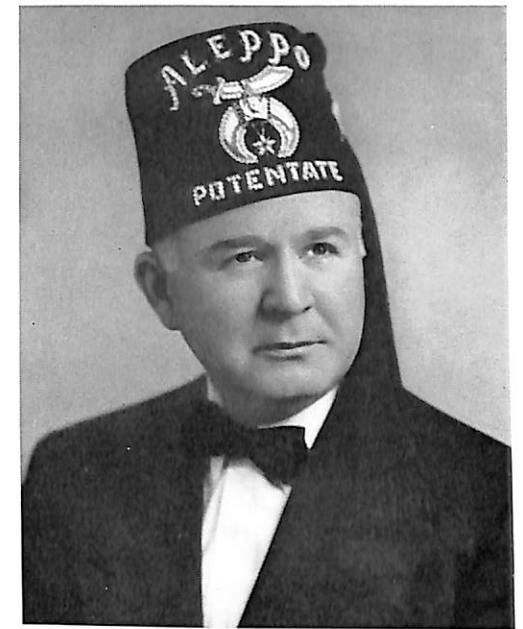
On the Wednesday morning of our week in New York the
Uniformed Units were given a boat ride around Manhattan
Island. This is a delightful way to see much of New York's
historical background, beautiful scenery, fashionable homes, and
new building developments. The day was made to order and, to
add to the highlights of the trip, we saw the Queen Elizabeth
with her 2000 passengers aboard pulling out of the harbor. It
was a magnificent sight.

Now, how does a convention become a success? Through strict
adherence to the rules of one's own organization; forming com-
mittees headed by and made up of capable men who are willing
to devote hours to planning and working out countless details.
If it is a question of travel, as this last one was, there is the
baggage problem, hotel accommodations, varied entertainment;
being ever mindful of the comfort and pleasure of all who are
making the trip. I haven't even begun to touch on the many
demands; they are too numerous to mention. Fortunately, how-
ever, Nobles of Aleppo meet these requirements and our part in
the Convention was a gratifying success.

We were pleased, too, with the Imperial Council elections.
The new Imperial Sir, Rennie Arnold, has our sincere wishes
for a fine year, filled with everything good, and all the joy that
goes with winning this noble office. We also extend our hearty
congratulations to Illustrious Noble Harold Close, the newly
elected Imperial Outer Guard.

I would be greatly amiss if I did not refer to our last Ceremonial,
Friday, June 19th, when the then Imperial Potentate Harvey A.
Beffa paid us a visit. Even though his stay was a short one, he
made good of all his time, and was most agreeably impressed
with our Temple. I know all of you who were present to hear
him felt the earnestness of his talk in his reference to the Crippled
Children's Hospital.

It is a common desire within all of us to help orphaned and
underprivileged children. We are once again given the chance
to put this deserving cause "over the top." By now you have



received the pamphlet announcing the "Big Hippodrome of
1954" to be held at the Boston Garden from September 29th
through October 4th.

Again this year, as in the past, when such an event has been
put on, Past Imperial Potentate Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.
has pledged himself to give his time and energy to make this
the greatest success of all. This is a signal for everybody to get
ABOARD. I urge you to give this your immediate and undivided
attention.

I am deeply grateful for the many things that have been
accomplished thus far through the loyal and wholehearted
support of the Nobles of Aleppo and earnestly hope we will
continue, together, to make this last half of my year the greater
part of one that you, as well as I, can be proud and happy to
remember.

Arthur E. MacKenzie
Illustrious Potentate

COMING EVENTS IN NEARBY TEMPLES

BEKTASH, Concord, N. H.	Smoker, Saturday, Sept. 26, at Keene, N. H.
KARNAK, Montreal, Quebec	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 5
KORA, Lewiston, Maine	Ladies' Night, Friday, Oct. 9, at Poland Spring (tentative) Ceremonial, Thursday, Oct. 22 Annual Meeting, Friday, Jan. 15, 1954
LUXOR, St. John, N. B.	Ceremonial, Friday, Nov. 27
MELHA, Springfield, Mass.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Dec. 12
MOUNT SINAI, Montpelier, Vt.	Ceremonial, Saturday, Oct. 3, at Barre, Vt.
PALESTINE, Providence, R. I.	Ceremonial, Friday, Nov. 13, at Rhodes, R. I.
PHILAE, Halifax, Nova Scotia	Ceremonial, Saturday, Sept. 26, at Sydney, Nova Scotia
PYRAMID, Bridgeport, Conn.	Ceremonial, Monday, Oct. 26, Ladies' Night, Tuesday, Nov. 17, at the Mosque Short Form Ceremonial (stag), Saturday, Dec. 12, at Strat- field Hotel
SPHINX, Hartford, Conn.	Shrine Sunday, Oct. 11, at New London Regional Smoker, Saturday, Oct. 24, at Willimantic Regional Smoker, Saturday, Nov. 21, at Waterbury Fall Ceremonial, Saturday, December 12

ORIENTAL BAND RECRUITS

THE Aleppo Temple Oriental Band is interested in adding a few additional men to its roster. If you have had musical experience with any reed or percussion instrument, you will fit into this organization, which is one of the newest units of Aleppo Temple.

The Oriental Band rehearses every Thursday night in the Band Room at Shrine Headquarters. Rehearsals start at six o'clock and are usually concluded by seven forty-five. If you are interested in joining this organization, report at the Shrine Band Room and ask for Oriental Band Director Noble Clarence Young. As rehearsals are never held the night before a Ceremonial, there will be no meeting of the Oriental Band on September 24.

1954 IMPERIAL COUNCIL SESSION AT ATLANTIC CITY

AT the recent Imperial Council Session held in New York City the Council voted to hold its next Annual Convention and Business Session in Atlantic City, with Crescent Temple of Trenton, New Jersey, as host Temple.

The newly elected Imperial Potentate Remmie L. Arnold of Acca Temple, Richmond, Virginia, announced the appointment of former Congressman Walter S. Jeffries, Sr., as Director General for the 1954 Session. Noble Jeffries served in a similar capacity for the Imperial Conventions held in Atlantic City in 1927, 1933, 1947 and 1948. He has also acted as Director of the Shrine Fall Frolics of Crescent Temple, which he served as Potentate for two years. He is a Past President of the Mid-Atlantic Shrine Association, which sponsors the annual Frolics.

The dates selected for the Atlantic City Session are June 27 to July 2. The great gathering of Shriners will assemble in the very midst of the program of the Centennial Celebration of Atlantic City, which will be 100 years old in 1954. The "Diamond Jubilee of Light" will be observed in Atlantic City at the same time by the Edison Electric Institute, official organization of the electric light and power industry named in the honor of the inventor of the incandescent lamp, Thomas A. Edison.

Noble Jeffries estimates that the Session will break the record attendance of the recent New York Convention of 100,000 Shriners and families. According to the New York Convention Bureau the Nobles and families spent over \$17,500,000 in that city during the week of the recent Convention, which is expected to be exceeded in New Jersey next year.

SHRINE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTED at the last meeting of the Imperial Council of the Shrine of North America in session at New York City was a new Pledge of Allegiance of the Shrine, which will be given at the opening of each Ceremonial as follows:

*I pledge allegiance to my Flag,
and to the country for which it
stands, one Nation indivisible
with Liberty and Justice for all.*



TRAVELING IN FAST COMPANY is our illustrious Potentate Arthur G. MacKenzie! The above photograph shows the Potentate getting ready to take off in General Motor's "Buick of the Future." Looks as though our Potentate graduated from "Fords" to "Buicks" while vacationing at the Belmont Hotel on Cape Cod . . . and Mack won't have any trouble taking corners in this "Buick of the Future" as it appears to be capable of "flying low!" With the Potentate are Ezio Pinza, Metropolitan Opera star and recent star of South Pacific, Mr. Harlow "Red" Curtice, President of General Motors Corporation, Detroit, and Mr. Michael Keith, Sales Promotion Manager of Philip Morris & Co., Ltd., Inc.

NEW ENGLAND NOBLE ELECTED IMPERIAL OUTER GUARD

ILLUSTRIOUS NOBLE HAROLD C. CLOSE, Past Potentate of Sphinx Temple of Hartford, Connecticut, was elected to the office of Imperial Outer Guard at the four-day session of the Imperial Council, governing body of the Shrine of North America, held in New York City, July 14-17. By his election Noble Close became a member of the Imperial Divan and by progression will eventually become Imperial Potentate of our Order.

Delegates who attended the meetings of the Council representing Aleppo Temple included Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Past Imperial Potentate; Potentate Arthur G. MacKenzie; Willard P. Lombard, a member of the Council's Jurisprudence and Laws Committee; Recorder Harvey B. Leggee, a member of the Council's Finance and Accounts Committee; Past Potentate Lawson W. Oakes and Chief Rabban Gerald F. Zedren.

During the Session a Charter was granted to Nur Temple, Wilmington, Delaware, making a total of 165 Temples in North America, with a Temple now located in every state in the Union.

The new Imperial Outer Guard was born in Massachusetts and later moved to Connecticut, attending the public schools in the city of Waterbury.

Noble Close is a business administrator of unusual ability, a successful manufacturer and president of the Waterville Manufacturing Company of Waterbury, Connecticut, which he organized in 1931. Because of his vast background and recognized success in the industrial field, he serves as a Director of the Mattatuck Manufacturing Company, the Connecticut Plastic Products Company, the Brockway Company, and the National Screw Machine Products Association of Cleveland.

His Masonic memberships are numerous. He was raised a Master Mason in Union Lodge No. 96, A. F. & A. M. of Thomaston, Connecticut, in 1926, becoming Master of his lodge in 1933. At the conclusion of his term as Master, he was elected treasurer, an office which he has held for twenty consecutive years. He is a member of Granite Chapter, No. 36, Royal Arch Masons; Waterbury Council, No. 21, Royal and Select Masters; Clark Commandery, No. 7, Knights Templar; the Doric Lodge of Perfection and Corinthian Chapter Rose Croix; Lafayette Consistory; and Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Connecticut, where he served as Potentate during the year 1951. At present, he is a member of the Executive Committee of his Temple and Past President of the Sphinx Kaabans Shrine Club. He also holds membership in Hartford Court, No. 141, R.O.J. and the Cabiri.

With his personal interest in the civic affairs of his state he has been a member and leader of numerous civic bodies and service clubs in Thomaston, his home; in Waterbury, his place of business; and in Hartford, Connecticut, the location of his Shrine.

A NEW YORK EDITOR SPEAKS . . .

THE following item was clipped from a New York newspaper, following the recent Imperial Shrine Convention in that city.

"Broadway has seen about everything, but the Shriners parade really made history. New Yorkers never saw a better organized night parade, never saw smoother marching, never saw better comedy relief, never heard better bands, never saw more exciting costumes or better horsemanship in cavalry units. When the southern units passed by, their bands playing 'Dixie' or 'Swanee River,' with Confederate flags rippling in the breeze, city slickers let out their biggest cheers and heartiest applause. Closest to this excitement was the moment when the boys from Maine stepped by, it's crack band belting away with 'Maine Stein Song.' The Shriners put on a tremendous show and they leave town with 8,000,000 New Yorkers still marveling at their good manners. The city has never had nicer guests."

PAST POTENTATES, 1882-1902

A RECENT appeal was made to the members of Aleppo for photographs of Past Potentates suitable for reproducing and framing to complete the collection to be permanently displayed at Shrine Headquarters.

The collection is now complete with the exception of five photographs of our Past Potentates . . . Henry E. Hosley who was Potentate from June, 1882 to December, 1889 . . . James R. Fox, Potentate from December, 1889 to December, 1890 . . . Caleb Saunders, Potentate from December, 1893 to December, 1896 . . . Frederick H. Spring, Potentate from December, 1896 to December, 1899 . . . and Albion F. Welch, Potentate from December, 1899 to September, 1902.

If any Noble or friend is in possession of one of these photographs, the Temple would appreciate the loan of same for the purpose of reproduction. The original photograph will be returned to the owner intact.